

# Native & Drought Tolerant Plant Selections

## Grasses & Sedges

- Beach Grass**  
*Ammophila breviligulata\**  
● P
- Big Bluestem**  
*Andropogon gerardii*  
● P
- Canada Wild Rye**  
*Elymus Canadensis*  
● P
- Deschampsia**  
*Deschampsia flexuosa\**  
● P
- Indian Grass**  
*Sorghastrum nutans*  
● P
- Little Bluestem**  
*Schizachyrium scoparium*  
● P
- Meadow Sedge**  
*Carex granularis*  
● P
- Muhlenberg's Sedge**  
*Carex muhlenbergii*  
● P
- Penn's Sedge**  
*Carex pennsylvanica*  
● P
- Prairie Cord Grass**  
*Spartina pectinata\**  
● P
- Prairie Dropseed**  
*Sporobolus heterolepis*  
● P
- Shorter Sedge**  
*Carex brevior*  
● P
- Side-oats Gramma**  
*Bouteloua curtipendula\**  
● P
- Switch Grass**  
*Panicum virgatum*  
● P
- Wood Rush**  
*Luzula acuminata*  
● P

## Trees

- Bitternut Hickory**  
*Carya cordiformis*  
●
- Black Oak**  
*Quercus velutina*  
●
- Blue Spruce**  
*Picea pungens*  
●
- Catalpa**  
*Catalpa speciosa*  
●
- Downy Serviceberry**  
*Amelanchier arborea*  
● ●
- False Cypress**  
*Chamaecyparis spp*  
●
- Ginkgo**  
*Ginkgo biloba*  
●
- Honey Locust**  
*Gledesia triacanthos\**  
●
- Ironwood or Hop Hornbeam**  
*Ostrya virginiana*  
●
- Kentucky Coffee Tree**  
*Gymnocladus dioica\**  
●
- Red Cedar**  
*Juniperus virginiana*  
●
- Red Oak**  
*Quercus rubra*  
●
- Shagbark Hickory**  
*Carya ovata*  
●
- Smooth Serviceberry**  
*Amelanchier laevis*  
● ●
- Sycamore**  
*Platanus occidentalis*  
●
- Trembling Aspen**  
*Populus tremuloides*  
●
- White Birch or Paper Birch**  
*Betula papyrifera*  
●
- White Cedar**  
*Thuja occidentalis*  
● ●
- White Oak**  
*Quercus alba*  
●
- White Pine**  
*Pinus strobus*  
● ●
- White Spruce**  
*Picea glauca*  
●



## Bulbs

- Crocuses**  
*Crocus spp*  
●
- Daffodil, jonquil**  
*Narcissus spp*  
●
- Grape Hyacinth**  
*Muscari spp*  
●
- Ornamental Onion**  
*Allium spp*  
●
- Tulips**  
*Tulipa spp*  
●

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## Wildflowers

- Barren Strawberry**  
*Waldstenia fragarioides*  
● ● P
- Bearberry**  
*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*  
● P
- Black-eyed Susan**  
*Rudbeckia hirta*  
● P
- Blue-eyed Grass**  
*Sisyrinchium montanum*  
● P
- Butterflyweed**  
*Asclepias tuberosa*  
● P
- Canada Anemone**  
*Anemone Canadensis*  
● ● P
- Common Yarrow**  
*Achillea millefolium*  
● P
- Evening Primrose**  
*Oenothera biennis*  
● P
- Hairy Beard-tongue**  
*Penstemon hirsutus*  
● P
- Harebell**  
*Campanula rotundifolia*  
● P
- New England Aster**  
*Aster novo-angliae*  
● P
- Pearly Ever-lasting**  
*Anaphalis margaritacea*  
● P
- Round-headed Bush Clover**  
*Lespedeza capitata*  
● P
- Smooth Aster**  
*Aster laevis var. laevis*  
● P
- Spiked Blazing Star**  
*Liatris spicata*  
● P
- Thimbleweed**  
*Anemone cylindrical*  
● P
- Wild Bergamot**  
*Monarda fistulosa*  
● P
- Wild Columbine**  
*Aquilegia Canadensis*  
● ● P
- Wild Geranium**  
*Geranium maculatum*  
● ● P
- Wild Strawberry**  
*Fragaria virginiana*  
● ● P
- Woodland Sunflower**  
*Helianthus divaricatus*  
● ● P

## Shrubs & Vines

- American Hazel**  
*Corylus americana*  
● ●
- American Plum**  
*Prunus americana*  
●
- Beaked Hazel**  
*Corylus cornuta*  
● ●
- Bee Balm**  
*Monarda didyma\**  
● P
- Bluebells**  
*Hedyotis longifolia*  
● P
- Boxwood**  
*Buxus spp*  
● ●
- Bush cinquefoil**  
*Potentilla fruticosa\**  
(*Pentaphylloides floribunda*)  
●
- Bush Honeysuckle**  
*Diervilla lonicera*  
● ●
- Carolina Rose**  
*Rosa carolina*  
●
- Chokebark**  
*Aronia melanocarpa*  
●
- Common Juniper**  
*Juniperus communis*  
●
- Compass Plant**  
*Physostegia virginiana*  
● P
- Coreopsis**  
*Coreopsis spp*  
● P
- Cotoneaster**  
*Cotoneaster spp*  
●
- Creeping Juniper**  
*Juniperus horizontalis\**  
●
- Downy Arrow-wood**  
*Viburnum rafinesquianum*  
●
- Flowering Quince**  
*Chaenomeles spp*  
●
- Fragrant Sumac**  
*Rhus aromatica*  
●
- Globe Thistle (Great Globe Thistle)**  
*Echinops nitro (Echinops sphaerocephalus)*  
● P
- Gray Dogwood**  
*Cornus foemina*  
●
- Hens and Chicks**  
*Sempervivum spp*  
● P
- Highbush Blueberry**  
*Vaccinium corymbosum*  
●
- Hoary Vervain**  
*Verbena stricta\**  
● P
- Lavender**  
*Lavandula spp*  
● P
- Monk's hood**  
*Aconitum spp*  
● P
- Nannyberry**  
*Viburnum lentago*  
● ●

## Shrubs & Vines

- New Jersey Tea**  
*Ceanothus americanus*  
● ●
- Ninebark**  
*Physocarpus opulifolius*  
●
- Oregon Grape, Mahonia**  
*Mahonia aquifolium*  
● ●
- Poppies**  
*Papaver spp*  
● P
- Prairie Smoke**  
*Geum triflorum\**  
● P
- Prickly Pear Cactus**  
*Opuntia spp*  
● P
- Purple Coneflower**  
*Echinacea purpurea*  
● P
- Purple-flowering Raspberry**  
*Rubus odoratus*  
●
- Redbud**  
*Cercis Canadensis*  
● ●
- Red Elderberry**  
*Sambucus racemosa*  
● ●
- Rock Rose**  
*Helianthemum spp*  
● P
- Rosemary**  
*Rosmarinus officinalis<sup>A</sup>*  
● P
- Roundleaf Serviceberry**  
*Amelanchier sanguinea*  
●
- Sage**  
*Salvia officinalis*  
● P
- Smoke Tree**  
*Cotinus coggygria*  
●
- Snowberry**  
*Symphoricarpus albus*  
●
- Soapberry or Canada Buffalo Berry**  
*Shepherdia canadensis*  
●
- Sumac (Velvet Sumac or Staghorn)**  
*Rhus typhina (Rhus hirta)*  
●
- Sunflower**  
*Helianthus giganteus\**  
● P
- Sweetfern**  
*Comptonia peregrina*  
●
- Thyme**  
*Thymus spp*  
● P
- Upland White Goldenrod**  
*Solidago ptarmicoides\**  
● P
- Virginia Creeper**  
*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*  
●
- Wild Lupine**  
*Lupinus perennis\**  
● P
- Yarrow**  
*Achillea spp*  
● P
- Yew**  
*Taxus spp*  
●
- Yucca**  
*Yucca spp*  
● P
- Zinna**  
*Zinna spp*  
● P

\*Denotes plants native to Ontario but not Halton Region

● = Sun ● = Partial Sun ● = Partial Shade P = Perennial

## about native plants...

Native plants are plant species that have evolved to their current state within the confines of this particular region and its climate zones. The result is that native plants are often most adaptable and durable in their native climate, staving off pests, disease, and unforgiving weather. Native plants complement the biodiversity of the region and often attract native insects, birds, and small garden animals. As native plants are essentially made for the specific area, they are usually easier to grow than non-native plants and require much less water than a plant artificially placed in this climate zone.

Try incorporating native drought tolerant plants into your landscapes and experience the benefits of going green!